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GROVER'S FOLLY.

Try not the pass, the old man said;
Dark lowers the tempest overhead.
But still he bore, 'mid snow and ice,
A banner with the strange device—
LILIUOKALANI!—*Longfellow* (*up to date*).

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BE HAPPY. If you're not happy you're out of the swim.

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MR. CROKER will retire. He is now looking for his Cheshire cheese.

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TO SENATOR HILL—Dear sir, a house divided against itself gathers no moss.

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THE COMPLIMENTS of the season to Mr. Logenbula. May he dress up and be happy.

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THE EDITOR of the Brooklyn *Eagle* talks of "the court of conscience." Conscience — what's that?

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IT IS NOT SHEOL that is paved with good intentions—it is the other place. Good intentions never hurt anybody yet.

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THE NEW DRINK, "the touch-down," is so called to distinguish it from the more forcible liquid called the knock-down.

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MRS. DEACON will, it is announced, marry a French nobleman. Men of that kind come cheap. The late M. Abeille was one of them, we believe.

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THE HOLIDAYS are mighty good to the Democratic friends of Grover. Let them but hold up their stockings and the blessings drop right into them.

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DURING THE NEW YEAR let Grover confer occasionally with the other branches of the government. They may not be as autocratic as he, but they must not be forgotten.

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AN ACTRESS will go into the new year with a new nose, or rather with the old one surgically reduced in size. The mysteries of the make-up grow more complicated every year.

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THE DANCE DU VENTRE may be a sacred thing in the eyes of the women who do it, but if a man looks upon horse-stealing as a religion that is no reason why we shouldn't lock the stable-door.

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MISS ANTHONY has lived long enough to find everybody praising her. It is peculiarly pleasant to us to reflect, in view of this gratifying fact, that we have never said a word of her which, dying, we would wish to blot.

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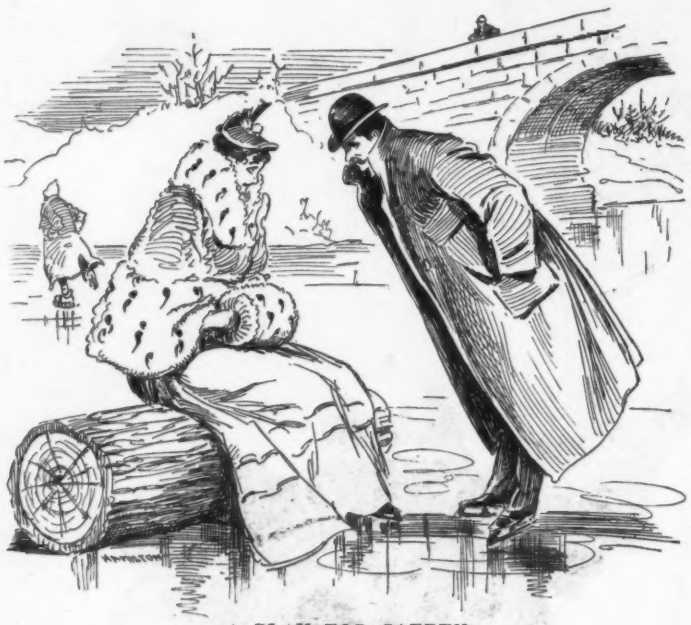
WE FEEL it safe to say that our lieutenant-governor will be better in 'ninety-four than he ever was before. Referring to Buffalo, he can say, with the boy who was about to be thrashed by his pa, "St-stop! My ma has 'tended to me."



A PLAY FOR SAFETY.

Ethel—"Papa doesn't get home now much before ten o'clock."
Jack—"So? Well, I'll come early then and—and avoid the rush."

HINT.

THE YOUNG MAN who has called too frequently on New-year's day can talk fluidly, but he splits his words and mangles his ideas. Let him reflect that his listeners feel like saying, with the Irish magistrate, "All we want of you is silence, and very little o' that." There is a kind of silence that is precious, and it all belongs to him.

AFFRIGHTED.

THEY HAD CAUGHT a man with a sheep that had been killed and stolen. "Did you kill him?" was the question. "Yes," said the man, "and I'll kill any sheep that tries to bite me." This suggests how badly Boss McKane was frightened when confronted by the officers of the law whom he presently clubbed and locked up. We suppose he was so scared that he turned blue and shed every tooth in his head.

HIS WORDS AND HIS AXE.

THE PRAISE by the president of civil-service reform must not be taken too seriously. While he talks the heads continue to go into the basket; and in all instances men are selected for the vacancies who are most in sympathy with his personal comfort and his political convictions. That's the kind of a civil-service reformer he is, and he is to be commended for taking care of at least a part of the party which has taken such good care of him.

THREE KINGS.

THE KAISER and Francis Joseph ought to see the necessity of helping Humbert out of his financial troubles and contributing to the support of his military establishment. It is the triple alliance that has brought about this Italian extravagance; and again if the war principle of government is correct it is as legitimate for Italy as it is for Germany and Austria. Open the holiday exchequer, William, and support the nation that you expect in case of war to support you.

IN BEHALF OF GOOD LOOKS.

IT IS DECREED by the school authorities of Camden, New Jersey, that girls shall not wear curl-papers in school. This starts the girls right in an important particular, and it is even possible that they will grow up to be such good wives that they will sometimes appear before their husbands without curl-papers. For it is really not right that women should begin to grow homely as soon as they are married; and curl-papers ought to be as much out of place at home as would be a carving-knife on the hat-rack.

COWARDLY BARBARITY.

THAT CHRISTIANITY which turns scores of unfortunate women into the streets of a December night, to starve or freeze, is not the genuine article. It reforms nobody, and is out of place in this holiday season. If we grant that these women have no rights which the law is bound to respect there is yet an involuntary protest against such inhumanity; and the fact is indisputable that if women had the right to vote they would be protected from such barbarity as bad men are. Let us not be so infernally religious that the unprotected woman must be deprived of her life.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

THERE WERE SOME good things about 'ninety-three. It didn't bring in hoops, as threatened. It was free from serious epidemic. It had an extra session of congress, but the session did very fair work and most of us have survived it. It was crowded with disasters and several revolutions, but New York escaped. We were not bothered with the world's fair, and Chicago got great glory out of it. The screams of the populists and the silver men died out before the year closed, and were presently followed by great Republican victories which were a sweet surprise. Not all of us were happy, but most of us were tolerably good. A few students have survived foot-ball, and the panic ended before the great public had starved to death. It was not so bad. May the new year behave itself and treat us better.

Where he got it.

WHERE HE GOT HIS STYLE.

MISS BLEECKER—"What a peculiar seat Mr. Jones has. I wonder where he got it."

AN INVALID.

MR. FAHEY—"Be the howly Saint Tammany, Murphy! what ails yez?"

MR. MURPHY—"Well, yez see, Fahey, me woife's an invalid, an' bein' an invalid she's aisy riled, an' whin she's riled—well, s-a-y, Fahey, she cud clane out th' whole block!"

THE WIFE.

ON New-year's when she hears him say
He'll swear off every fault,
She takes it in a quiet way
And with a grain of salt.

EXTRAORDINARY PRECAUTION.

Hotel-clerk—"Did you tell that old gentleman from the country that he mustn't blow out the gas, as I told you?"

Barney (new boy)—"Yis, sorr; but it's so afeard to thrust him Oi was, sorr, Oi blowed it owt mesilf, sorr."

AN INTELLIGENT VERDICT.

THE coroner's jury, after viewing the remains and hearing the evidence, returned the following verdict:

"From the appearance of the body we were inclined to believe that the deceased had been run over by a gravel-train; but from articles and memoranda discovered on his person we find that he was a contestant in a foot-ball match."

HE MEANT TROUSSEAU.

FARMER (*reading from newspaper to his wife, who is working about the room*)—"Gosh, wife! but don't them city folks go it strong? Here is one gal who spent two thousand dollars on her weddin' trousers."

ENGAGEMENT OFF.

MAUD—"George, dear, I'm going to get my fortune told."
GEORGE—"Don't do it, Maud, dearest! It's all a fake."
MAUD—"I don't care, darling; here goes." (*Hands gypsy a quarter.*)
GYPSY (*reading her palm*)—"You will probably marry a hair-brained, impecunious young man with blonde hair, blue eyes and small mustache, who will drink and abuse you constantly. You will have ten small children, and die of quick consumption, brought on by taking in washing, at the age of thirty-one."
GYPSY (*a moment later*)—"All a fake, is it? De gypsy queen has faked your chances pretty well, me fine feller."

AN UNSOLVED MYSTERY.

MIKE—"Begobs, Bridget, they be as short as ivir!"
BRIDGET—"Divil take thim! afther me puttin' tin inches av cloth at ther top."

INSULT TO INJURY.

Thistlewood—"Did he say anything to you when he handed you the bill?"
Impecune—"Yes; wished me a happy new year."

ON HIS METAL.

THE OLD MAID.

SHE now admits, with many pangs,
She's dead as in a casket;
That's why on New-year's day she hangs
Outside her door a basket.

UNLIKE HIM.

Cora—"I was so surprised when Mr. de Jinks called to pay the compliments of the season."
Merritt—"No wonder. That's the only thing I ever knew him to pay."

IN ONE OF THE YEARS GONE BY.

AS I push aside the year mists that stretch so far away
I can see a little picture framed in a summer's day
That hangs in memory's gallery as the brightest, dearest view
My fancy ever painted, or my history ever knew.

A golden landscape picture with a green hill, and the sea
Stretched out as far as eye could reach, like vast eternity;
A sunset glow upon the sky where clouds all tinted lay,
As good-bye words the sun had left for twilight lips to say.

And a little maiden standing in dreamy reverie,
A soft, glad light upon her face, which looked far out to sea;
While wind which tossed the sparkling waves played with her shining hair,
As if it half expected to find some sunbeams there.

I look upon this picture and my heart is throbbing fast,
The freshness of its beauty was in the happy past;
But though time has dimmed its color it is still as dear to me,
For its presence lights life's gallery as a gift of memory.

The little maiden's golden hair has turned to twilight gray;
Her girlish dreams have wakened as she passed along life's way;
Yet hand in hand together, youth's hope fulfilled we see
As 'neath time's fading shadows shines love's eternity.

EDITH LIVINGSTON CRARY.

GONE FROM HIM.

FIRST STEAMSHIP PASSENGER—"Do you know what they had for breakfast this morning?"
SECOND STEAMSHIP PASSENGER—"No. I gave it up long ago."

THE DECOY-DUCK;

OR, HOW UNCLE 'RASTUS, ALTHOUGH HE HAD NO GUN, GOT THERE ALL THE SAME.

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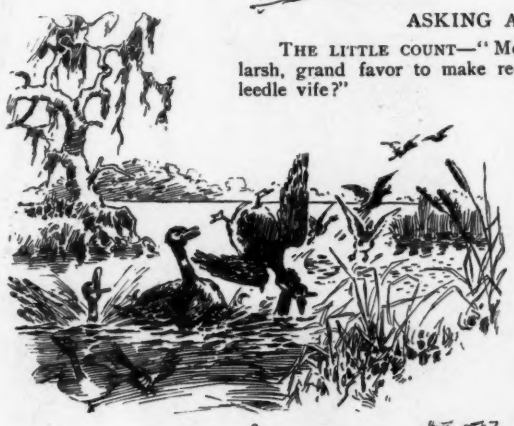

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4. DECOY-DUCK—"Ain' dis nigger 'Rastus some pumpkins?"

THE WORKINGS OF TIME.

TIME was, and not so long ago
(Although it seems an age, I know),
Three times a week
Her pretty little cottage home,
From which I thought I'd never roam,
I used to seek.

I then was happy without doubt,
And know not how it came about
We fell away.
I was to blame, unless I err,
But now I only call on her
On New-year's day.

JAMES JAY O'CONNELL.

ASKING A GREAT DEAL.

THE LITTLE COUNT—"Mees Bigelow—M-M-M-arian—I haf von larsh, grand favor to make request from you. Vill you become my leedle vife?"

AN AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT.

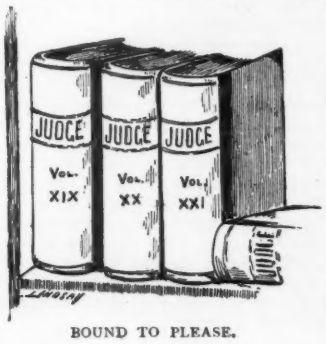
HER DIARY.

November 25—I have become a saleslady O hevens that a young lady with my edjucationel advanteges should have to toile for a living, I a graduate of grammer school No. 140? I who was brought up as a lady and mother would never let me touch my hand to work. Poor thing she has not my edjucationel advanteges but she knows how to appreshiate them in me. O that father should die and have his salery stopped and I should have to work in a store, but thank heven I am a saleslady anyhow and do not have to degrade myself by household work, I am a lady in spite of all.

November 26—O hevens I wonder if my employers son is falling in love with me, he looked at me three times to-day, and why shouldent it be, I have as much edjucationel advanteges as him and I am a lady and I know I am beautiful, only I haven't as much money as he has.

November 27—I am sure he loves me, he looked at me four times to-day, I am afraid this work is too much for me but I would rather die than do servents work.

November 28—The doctor says the store will kill me and mother sugested that I might get a place in some nice family, O hevens I shall never forgive her, a lady with my edjucationel advanteges doing servents work! Let me die first and let my epitaff be—she lived a lady and she died a lady.



BOUND TO PLEASE.

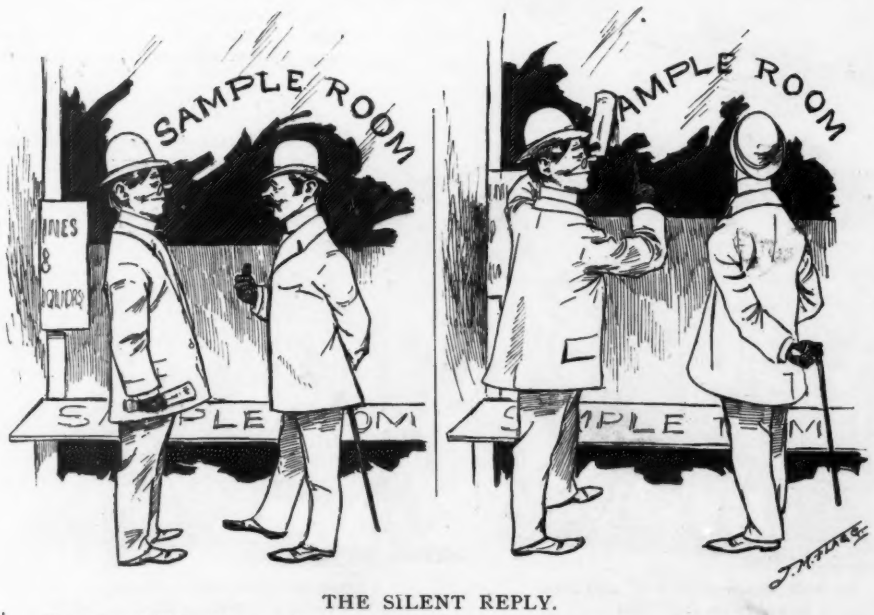
MAN'S OWN UNDOING.

ALTHOUGH the year now at an end
Has brought you neither fame nor pelf,
Own up, however it may rend,
You made it what it was yourself.

HIS IDEA OF IT.

Sunday-school teacher—"Bobby, can you name the three graces?"

Bobby—"Yes'm; the world, the flesh and the devil."



THE SILENT REPLY.

BJENKS—"Well, old man, have you room for a Manhattan cocktail?"

December 8—I am sick in bed and may not live. It nearly broke my heart when I found that He did not love me, he passed me in the street without knowing me O hevens, if I die I will have the consulation of knowing that I lived a lady although my work killed me, and never stooped to household work which might have saved my life, if I had not been a lady with edjucationel advanteges I would have been well to-day but honer is better than life, fairwell.

W. L. RIORDON.

QUALIFYING CONTEXT.

"DE WINKS says his transcendental poems are not appreciated by the common herd."

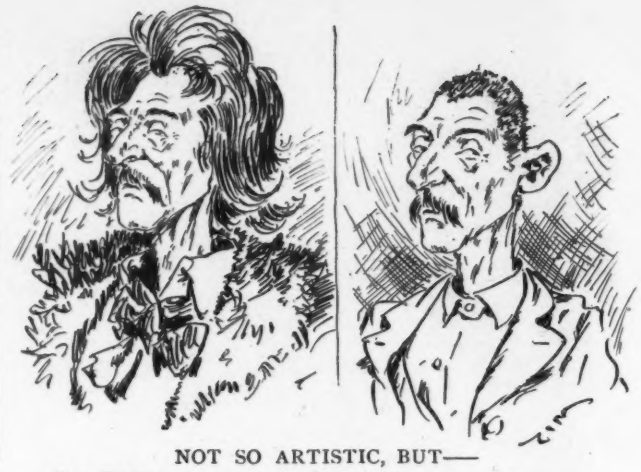
"But he says a great French critic calls him the poet of the hereafter."

"And that Frenchman has written a book to disprove the existence of a future state."

UNDER THE MISTLETOE.

HE—"Did I but dare, what bliss were mine
To press those lovely lips divine!
Did I but dare!"

SHE—"The stupid chump, to stand and stare
As though his feet were planted there.
The stupid chump!"



NOT SO ARTISTIC, BUT—

Van Bibber, the poet, used to wear his hair like this.

But he is married now.

OFF AND ON.

WHEN New-year's day arrived he earnestly
Swore off, and felt as happy as a don.
Next day he slipped on ice and broke his knee,
And then he just swore on and on and on.

BACK TO EARTH AGAIN.

Snooper—"I don't like New-year's as well as Christmas."

Sumway—"I don't either, for New-year's comes at the first of the month and brings the monthly accounts with it."

THE PROSPECT.

NEW hopes, new aspirations, new delights,
New debts, new tribulations and new ills;
New accidents, new quarrels and new fights;
New fears, new noises and new doctors' bills.

NO DOUBT HE DID.

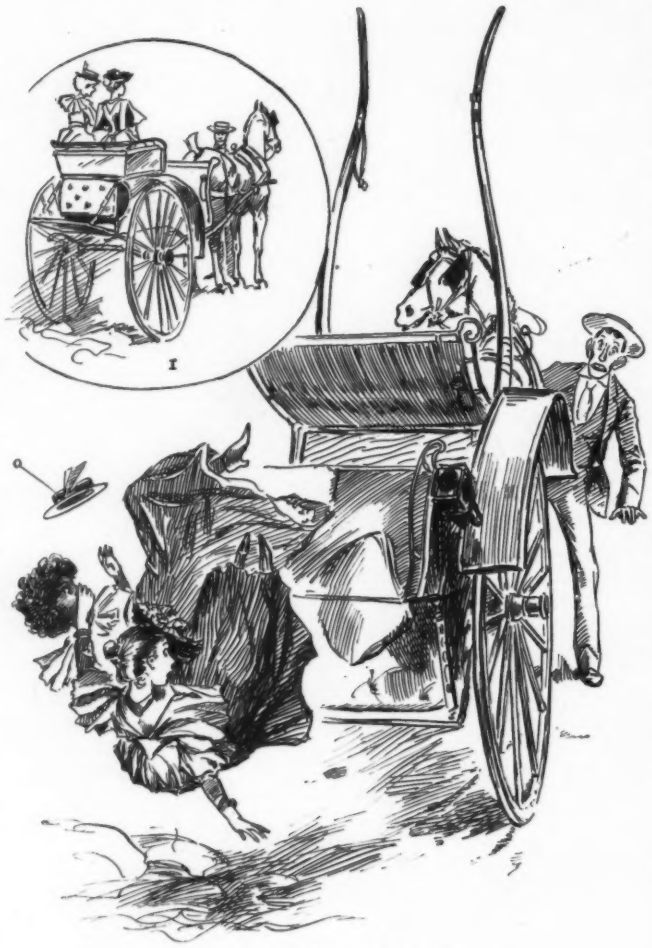
Spatts—"I'm going to watch the old year out, Miss Flypp."

Miss Flypp—"I think you need watching more than the old year does."

A MYSTERY EXPLAINED.

Giles—"How did Cobwigger come to fill up his diary in three days?"

Merritt—"He had a bad cold and he began copying down the sure cures his friends gave him."



WHAT THEY WANTED.

1. LADIES—"Oh, Tom! we want to sit and watch you unhitch."
TOM—"All right."
2. What they got.

THE NEW-YEAR'S PRIZE POEM.

Of more truth than poetry.

IN THE blazing heat of summer planned a poet, and his plan promised profitable pleasure to an impecunious man could he meet the hard conditions which the editor had made to control ambitious poets in the practice of their trade.

"We want a New-year's poem," wrote the editor, wrote he; "and to gain the prize we offer for the poem it may be long or short, or grave or merry, as the poetman may choose; but original it *must* be or it won't be any use."

Now a poet may be skillful in the use of charming tricks, whereby familiar fancies he delightfully can fix in a dress of rhyme and rhythm quite enchanting; but the bard who must think out thoughts himself will find his occupation hard.

Which is why the needy poet through the blazing summer heat toiled, despending lest the task should prove too great a mental feat—struggled in an awful effort for a single unthought thought which had never by another been to New-year's music wrought—struggled vainly till, defeated, with a bitter irony he sent the editor as follows in the form of poetry:

"NEW-YEAR'S LINES.

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——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———?
——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———;
——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———!"

And behold the strange result that made the poet's heart grow gay and yielded him a recompense without the least delay! "Your poem" (said the letter which inclosed the ample check) "is the sole competing poem which 'tis justice to select. For alas! there was no other that was absolutely free from echo of some bygone thought, some stolen old idee—the only one of thousands that distressed our weary eyes with no warmed-over sentiments, and so you won the prize."

Moral.

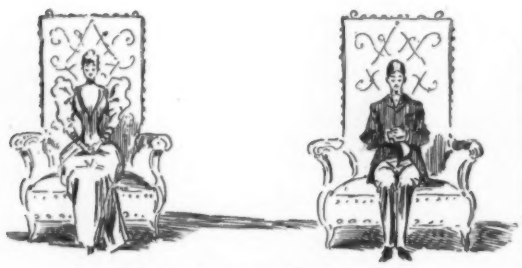
To New-year's bards the moral is as plain as plain can be—Who writes no words alone commits no crime of plagiary.

MRS. GEORGE ARCHIBALD.

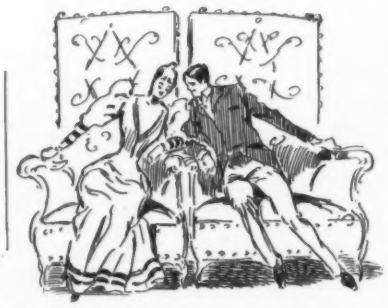
TO FATHER TIME.

THOUGH sad enough my days, in truth,
Each one would be a mirth-day
If I but could renew my youth,
Like you, upon each birthday.

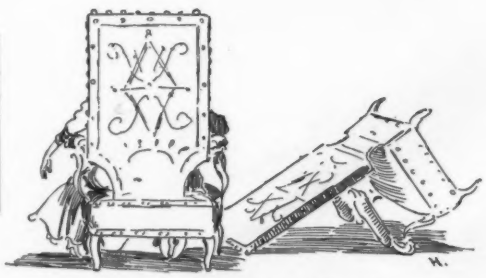
OUT OF SIGHT.



One winter's night a love-sick youth
Sat near a winsome miss;
And as I now recall the truth
Their chairs were just like this.



An hour passed quickly by, and then
I looked in on their bliss
And found those chairs removed had been
And now were just like this.



I never saw them more, although
I thought I heard a kiss;
For when I looked again, oho!
Those chairs were just like this.

AN UNFAMILIAR WEAPON.

KODAK FIEND—"Stand still one moment, please."

CHEROKEE SAM (*scared to death*)—"I give in, stranger. I've heerd tell o' them durn machine-guns before."

MR. GOLDGRABBER ET AL.

"I VENT down to Tammany hall lasd nighd to a meeding," said Mr. Goldgrabber to the friendly cop the other morning as he nursed a large lump on the back of his head where amativeness ought to be. "Vell," he continued, "dere vas a gread time. A colonel frum Missouri, he speags, und den a major frum Georgia, he speags, und afder him a sheneral frum Lousiana, he speags, und dey vind up mit a rear-admiral frum Alabama, und he speags, und py dot time id vas eleven o'clog, und I hardly dare go home, und a frient say, 'Mr. Goldgrabber, come into Kearns's und ged a nighdcap'; und I say, 'No; id vould do me no good.' Und vhen I ged home my vife she yell und she say, 'Vhere you been dot you ged so drung you can'd valk shtraigd?' und she call me a loafer und a tief und someding else, and I ged no shleep all nighd. Py crachious! I pelieves somedimes, if peesness geds bedder preddy quig, dot I vill go off und ged drung und shpend a tollar to ged even mit her." And with an air of desperation Mr. Goldgrabber went inside and let a customer beat him down from a dollar to sixty-eight cents on a half-dollar shirt.

HOW ABOUT THIS?

THERE'S nothing new beneath the sun, they say
(A statement that you've doubtless heard before);
But then is not the world on New-year's day
With newest resolutions bubbling o'er?

A USEFUL ADJUNCT.

Guest (tenth story)—"Porter, what's this rope coiled up in the corner for?"

Hotel-porter—"Dat's fo' use in case ob fiah, sah."

Guest (after a look out of the window to the sidewalk)—"Oh, I see. Very convenient. If a man objects to being burned to death he can hang himself."

ANOTHER PHILANTHROPIST THWARTED.

"OLD HOBBS'S last will disinherits all his expectant nephews."

"Of course they are crest-fallen?"

"No; they are going to try to break it."

"On what ground?"

"On the ground of undue influence. The doctors told him he was going to die before he had made it."

A THEATRICAL BUNCO.

MR. CRITTERS (*before the curtain rises*)—"Say, mister, I want my money back. This bill o' fare sez thar 'll be a lapse o' two months 'tween th' fourth an' last acts, an' I'll be darned ef I'll pay my fare clean frum Bolton Notch agin fer th' last act; so shell out."

FINEST IN THE LAND.

"IS PETERBY a good thinker?"

"He never indulges in anything but a Pullman vestibule train of thought."

The plot.

A CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.
The plotter.

Plotted.

WILL THEY GET TH

They have a poor pull, a rotten boat, and the

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ET THROUGH?

and the Congressional canal is frozen.

THE PROFESSOR'S BREAKFAST.

PROFESSOR ABSTEMIUS lived at the Hotel Detention on the European plan. He was the terror of the restaurant, and every viand he called for he promptly rejected if not cooked exactly according to order. It was natural that the waiters, whom he tipped but seldom, the head waiter, whom he never tipped, and the chef, whose celebrated dishes he returned, should all be watching for an opportunity of revenge.

Professor Abstemius was suspicious of the eggs. He was sure that, although spring had come, he was served with more or less winter eggs. He determined to reject all suspicious products of the hennery; so next morning after this resolution he deliberately informed the waiter of his intentions, and to emphasize his remarks wrote his order as follows—"1893 eggs, soft-boiled."

Largely owing to the fact that Professor Abstemius was bald on his foretop, with a few erect hairs on his after-pate, he was absent-minded. On this particular Sunday morning, being deeply interested in a one-hundred-page newspaper, it was several hours before he remembered his breakfast. He hammered on the table with his knife, scaring the other guests and bringing half the corps of waiters around him.

"Where is my breakfast?" he thundered.

"Coming, sir," gasped the waiter, choking with laughter.

At that instant a number of servants entered, lugging large baskets filled with eggs. Immediately the waiter was all attention.

"Shall I open 'em, sir?" he gravely asked.

"Open 'em!" roared the professor. "Do you think I'm an ogre? You get me three soft-boiled eggs quick!"

"But, sir, you ordered eighteen hundred and ninety-three soft-boiled eggs, and 'ere they air, sir."

"Dunder mit blitzen! Let me see the check."

Sure enough, there was his order—"1893 eggs, soft-boiled."

"Why," he blustered and fumed, "I only meant eggs of that year. I won't take 'em."

"You're in for it this time, professor. You'se so particular about yer orders, sir. And 'ere's the bill, sir—one hundred and twenty-six dollars and twenty cents."

"You infernal scoundrel! open those eggs, and every one not soft-boiled or bad I'll reject. I'll have that satisfaction out of you anyhow."

For several hours the professor watched the opening of the eggs until he swore he would never taste one again. The longer the eggs stood the harder they got, until, when the operation was complete, only twenty-one out of the lot complied with his order.

"Twenty-one soft-boiled eggs," said he, softly rubbing his hands to express his satisfaction. "That amounts to seven portions, or one dollar and forty cents."

Handing over the money to the disgusted waiter without so much as a tip, the professor triumphantly strutted out of the restaurant. That night, when he was served with a notice to quit the house, he asked if he should also give the particulars of the incident to the press. On being assured that the notice to quit was a mistake he chuckled softly to himself, and has since received, with becoming dignity, remarkably respectful treatment from all of the hotel employés.

WILLIAM HOSEA BALLOU.

NATURAL ASCENDENCY.

CHOLLY—"It's a fact, Gussie, that a gentleman can always overawe a low-caste feller. Look at England and Ireland, now. It's the natural ascendency of gentlemen over barbarians."

OFFICER O'HENNESSY—"Move ahn dere now, ye white-livered judes, before I fan yez wid me shtick."

A VALID REASON.

"What is your objection to soap?" the tramp was asked.

"I'm allus suspicious of strangers," he replied.

CHEAP.

BARBER—"Your hair is dusty, sir."

KNEXT—"Put on enough water to lay it, then."

ANSWERED.

OLD CURIOUS—"What's your idea of holding the umbrella over the nag's head?"

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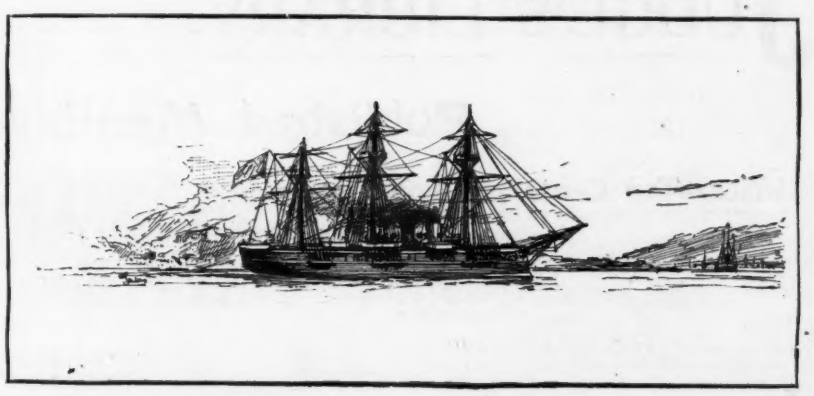

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—*Nebraska State Journal.*

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Oh, Lili, Sandwich-island queen,
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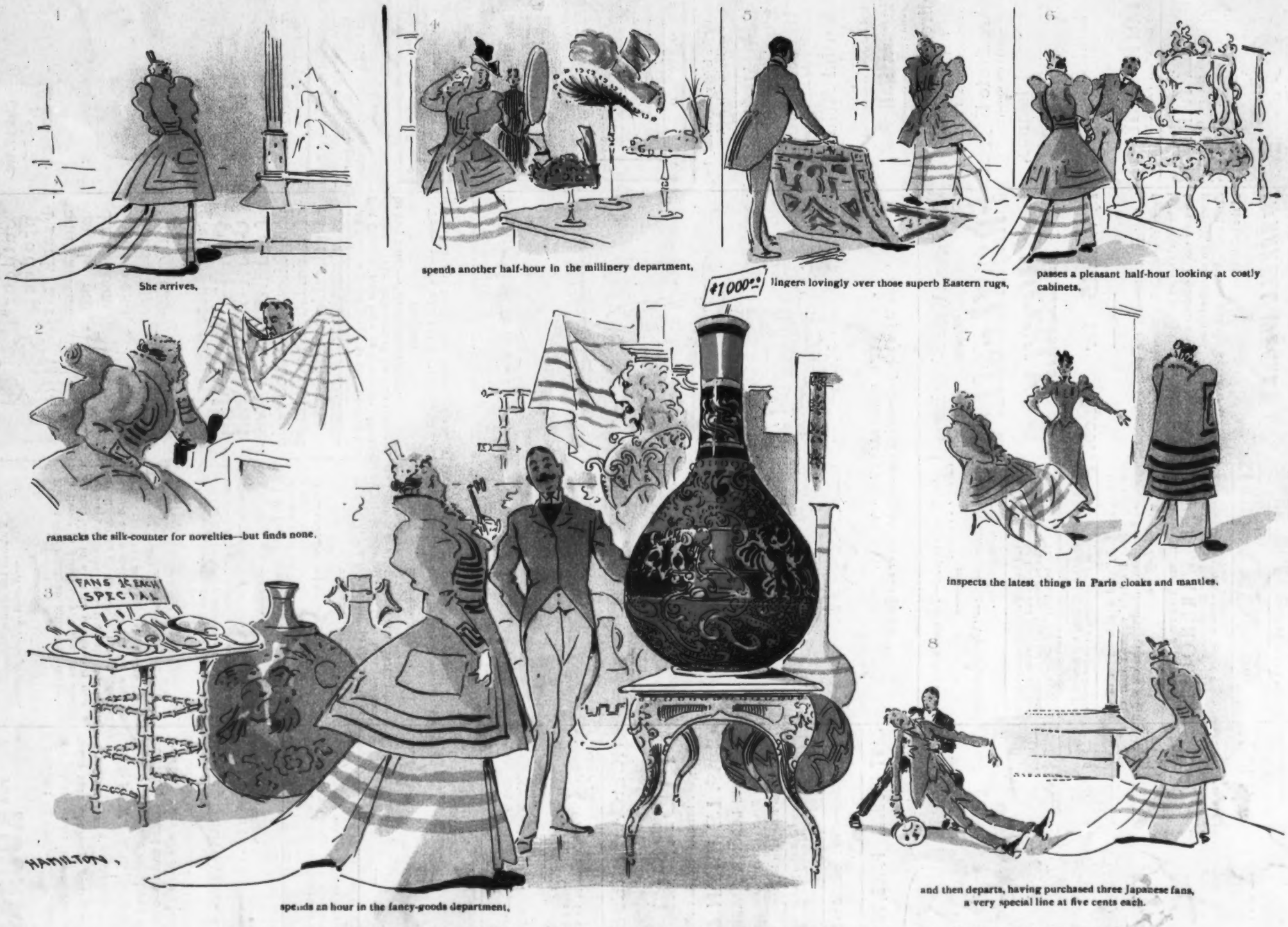

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